

**. THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE .**



# **ANNUAL REPORT**

**OF THE OFFICERS OF**

**THE TOWN OF**

# **STARK**

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**FOR THE YEAR ENDING**

**JANUARY 31**

# **1943**



# Town of Stark

New Hampshire

In Coos County

For the Year Ending January 31

1943

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## Certificate

This is to certify that the information contained in this Report  
was taken from official records and is complete to  
the best of our knowledge and belief.

RAYMOND P. STUART	}	Selectmen of Stark
MYRON W. COLE		
DEAN F. MILES		

STELLA A. LUNN, Treasurer and Town Clerk

MYRON A. OSGOOD, Tax Collector

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## TOWN WARRANT

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### THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

**To the Inhabitants of the Town of Stark in the County  
of Coos in the said State, qualified to vote in Town  
Affairs:**

You are hereby notified to meet at Town Hall in  
said Stark on Tuesday, the Ninth (9) day of March  
next at 9 o'clock in the forenoon to act on the follow-  
ing subjects:

1. To choose all necessary officers for the ensu-  
ing year.

2. To raise such sums of money as may be neces-  
sary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and  
make appropriations for same.

3. To see what sums of money the Town will  
vote to raise for Highways to be expended by Road  
Agents.

4. To see what sum of money the Town will vote  
for Snow Removal.

5. To see what sum of money the Town will vote  
for maintenance.

6. To see if the Town will accept State Aid for  
T. R. A. and appropriate (\$270.00) and set aside for  
this purpose.

7. To see what sum of money the Town will  
raise for Current Expenses.

8. To see what sum of money the Town will  
raise for Town Relief.

9. To see what sum of money the Town will raise  
for Old Age Assistance.

10. To see what sum of money the Town will  
raise to meet interest charges for the ensuing year.

11. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for Public Library purposes.

12. To see if the Town will vote for a scale of Discounts for the payments of taxes on the Basis of Three Per Cent if paid by Aug. 31st, Two Per cent if paid by Sept. 30th, and One Per Cent if paid by Oct. 31st, 1943.

13. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to incur debts for temporary loans in anticipation of taxes for the ensuing year and pay such debts from tax money when received.

14. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to renew the emergency note issued under the provision of Chapter 63 of the 1933 Law amended by Chapter 39 of the 1935 Session Law, in part or whole from time to time as might be necessary during ensuing year.

15. To see what action the Town will take in regard to real estate taken over by the Town for non-payment of Taxes.

16. To see if the Town will vote to raise \$300.00 to tar the Town's maintained Section of Tarred road, beginning at the Scott Bridge and extending one-half mile to the State Highway.

17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$30.00 to the White Mountains Region Association.

18. To see if the Town will vote to purchase 1000 feet of Snow Fence at an approximate cost of \$150.00.

19. To see what action the Town will take in regards to Town Officers' Salaries.

20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 for Repairs on the Public Library.

21. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for upkeep of the Cemeteries.

22. To see if the Town will vote to sell the Brooks House at private sale or public auction, and give the Selectmen the authority to do the same.

23. To see what action the Town will take in regard to plowing driveways.

24. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of \$1000.00 to pay on the Emergency Note, State of New Hampshire.

25. To see if the Town will vote to have Street lights in Stark and Percy and appropriate money for same.

26. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for wiring the Stark Village School for electric lights.

RAYMOND P. STUART,  
MYRON W. COLE,  
DEAN F. MILES,

Selectmen of Stark, N. H.

A True Copy—Attest:

RAYMOND P. STUART,  
MYRON W. COLE,  
DEAN F. MILES,

Selectmen of Stark, N. H.

## SELECTMEN'S RECOMMENDATIONS

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1. Election of Officers.
2. Recommended to raise the sum of \$800.00 to defray Town Charges.
3. Recommended to raise the sum of \$2000.00 for Snow Removal.
4. Recommended to raise the sum of \$1600.00 to be expended by the Road Agents.
5. Recommended to raise the sum of \$1000.00 for Town Maintenance.
6. Recommended to raise the sum of \$270.10 for TRA.
7. Recommended to raise the sum of \$500.00 for Town Relief.
8. Recommended to raise the sum of \$800.00 for Old Age Assistance.
9. Recommended to raise the sum of \$1000.00 to apply on Emergency Note.
10. Recommended to raise the sum of \$500.00 to defray Interest charges.
11. Recommended to raise the sum of \$250.00 for Public Library.
12. Recommended to raise the sum of \$30.00 for White Mt. Region Association.
13. Recommended to raise the sum of \$50.00 for upkeep of Cemeteries.

RAYMOND P. STUART,

MYRON W. COLE,

DEAN F. MILES,

Selectmen of Stark, N. H.

TOWN OF STARK	BALANCE
<b>Assets</b>	
Cash in Hands of Treasurer	\$ 467.29
Due from State:	
Bounties 1942	6.40
Forest Reserve	100.06
Reimbursement a/c State & Federal Lands	750.09
Taxes Bought by the Town	1,245.77
Unredeemed	1,033.87
Uncollected 1942	231.55
Uncollected 1941	51.60
Previous Years	41.10
Property Deeded to the Town	3,574.90
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Total Assets	\$7,502.48
Excess of Liabilities	507.52
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<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$8,010.00</b>



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JANUARY 31, 1943

**Liabilities****Accounts Owed by the Town:****Due School District:**

Dog Tax 1942	\$ 110.00
Balance of Appropriation	1,400.00
Long Term Note	4,000.00

**Temporary Notes:**

Lancaster National Bank	2,500.00
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**Total Liabilities**

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**\$8,010.00**

Exces of Liabilities	\$507.52
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Net Debt—Jan. 31st, 1942	\$578.59
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Net Debt—Jan. 30th, 1943	507.52
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Decrease of Debt	<hr/> \$ 71.31
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## TOWN OF STARK

## RECEIPTS AND

**Receipts**

Taxes committed to Col., 1942	\$13,200.62
Added Tax	196.37

Total Tax	\$13,396.99
Less Uncollected	1,854.82

Property and Poll Tax Collected, 1942	\$11,542.17
Property and Poll Tax Collected, previous years	112.90
Redemptions	1,463.03
Discounts and Abatements allowed	421.10
Taxes Bought by Town	1,245.77

**Total Collections** **\$14,784.97**

Register of Motor Vehicles	259.32
E. J. Graham, Snow Plow Sale	10.00
E. J. Graham, Amount Due Town	405.00
State of N. H., Bounties 1941	23.00
C. B. Cummings, Use of snow plow	18.00
Town Clerk, Bal. Dog tax 1941	.40
State of N. H., Refund OAA.	33.26
Thompson Mfg. Co., Refund on Check	3.13
R. P. Stuart, First Aid book paid	.60
Dog Tax, 1942	110.00
Lancaster National Bank, Note	2,500.00
Grange, rent of Town Hall	2.00
M. A. Osgood, Correction CPA.	27.61
State of N. H., Class V Roads	15.00
State of N. H., Fire Refund	12.55
Grange, Rent of Town Hall	2.00
State of N. H. R. R. and Savings Bank Tax	560.41
Berlin Reporter, Refund on Check 432	.35
Cash on Hand Feb. 1st, 1942	2,943.06
Myron Osgood, Refund on Commission	125.00

**Total Receipts** **\$21,835.61**

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PAYMENTS YEAR ENDING JAN. 31, 1943

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**Current Maintenance Expenses:****General Government:**

Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 999.70
Town Officers' Expenses	514.37
Election and Registration	168.30
Town Hall Expenses	147.71
Police Department	42.50
Fire Department	44.40
Bounties	6.40
Home Defense	30.65

**Health and Sanitation:**

Health Department	12.00
Vital Statistics	25.50

**Highways and Bridges, including Snow Removal:**

Town Maintenance and Snow Removal	5,261.50
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**Libraries:**

Libraries	200.00
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**Charities:**

Town Relief	300.47
Old Age Assistance	614.32

**Cemeteries**

Cemeteries	58.25
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**Unclassified:**

Damage by Dogs	37.50
Sale of Taxes	1,245.77
White Mt. Region Association	30.00
Discounts and Abatements	421.10
Interest Paid	148.33
State Aid Construction T. R. A.	269.29
Legal Expenses	129.69
Paid School District	5,150.40
Paid Lancaster Bank, Temporary Loans	3,000.00
Taxes Paid Coos County	2,425.94
Paid State of N. H., Audit of Town Books	83.88
Error in bill to Berlin Reporter	.35

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**Total Payments****\$21,368.32**

## SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

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Town Hall, Land, Buildings	\$ 3,000.00
Furniture and Equipment	500.00
Library, Furniture and Equipment	1,000.00
Laura Silver House	400.00
Police Department Equipment	25.00
Fire Department Equipment	150.00
Highway Dept., Land and Buildings	200.00
Equipment	2,000.00
Schools, Land and Buildings	4,500.00
Brooks House	400.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$12,175.00</b>

## SELECTMEN'S REPORT

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Lands and Buildings	\$322,730.00
Electric Plants	10,200.00
Whole Number of Horses, 61	6,310.00
Whole Number of Mules, 1	30.00
Whole Number of Oxen, 1	100.00
Whole Number of Cows, 133	8,120.00
Whole Number of Neat Stock, 20	820.00
Whole Number of Sheep, 10	56.00
Whole Number of Hogs, 5	110.00
Value of Mills and Machinery	7,300.00
Value of Boats and Launches, 1	500.00
Value of Wood and Lumber	8,638.00
Value of Gasoline Pumps	85.00
Value of Stock in Trade	1,990.00

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<b>Total Valuation</b>	<b>\$366,989.00</b>
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Soldiers' Exemptions	\$1,800.00
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### Assessments

Salaries and Expenses	\$ 1,850.00
Town Maintenance	4,100.00
Town Road Aid	269.29
New Equipment	115.00
Public Libraries	200.00
Old Age Assistance	800.00
Town Relief	300.00
Interest	400.00
County Tax	2,425.94
White Mt. Region Association	30.00

School Tax	4,000.00
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	\$14,490.23
Less Revenue and Credits	1,810.00
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	\$12,680.23
Plus Overlay	520.39
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Net Amount to be raised by Taxes	\$13,200.62
Less Polls	356.00
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Amount to Raise Property Tax	\$12,844.62
Rate of Taxation on \$100.00	\$3.50
Poll Tax	\$2.00

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RAYMOND P. STUART,  
MYRON W. COLE,  
DEAN F. MILES,

Selectmen of Stark, N. H.

January 30th, 1943.

## DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

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### CURRENT EXPENSES

#### Town Officers' Salaries

Raymond P. Stuart, Selectman	\$180.00
Raym'd P. Stuart, Overseer of Poor & OAA	50.00
Myron Cole, Selectman	100.00
Dean Miles, Selectman	100.00
Stella A. Lunn, Treasurer	75.00
Stella A. Lunn, Town Clerk	75.00
Myron A. Osgood, Commission Taxes	419.70

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\$999.70

Myron A. Osgood, Error in commission check 125.00

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\$874.70

#### Town Officers' Expenses

Coos County Reg. of Deeds, Recording	
Deeds, Redemption Slips	\$ 56.64
Association of N. H. Assessors Dues	2.00
N. H. Collector's Association Dues	2.00
Raymond P. Stuart, Postage, Telephone and Car Mileage	53.99
H. F. Carr, Repairing Typewriter	14.51
Geo. M. Stevens & Son, Bonds	27.50
Wheeler & Clark, Stamp and Pad	1.70
N. H. Town Clerks' Association, Dues	2.00
Dean, F. Miles, Inv. Road and Tax Meetings Car Mileage	45.50
Berlin Reporter, Notice of Tax Meeting	1.50
Edson C. Eastman, Supplies	43.23
Styles Drug Store, Supplies	6.25

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Geo. M. Stevens & Son, Bond	8.00
Grace Phelan, Audit and expenses	61.00
Myron Cole, Car Mileage and Expenses	21.85
Stella Lunn, Expenses and Auto Permits	54.55
Myron Osgood, Expenses	112.09
Error in Bill to Berlin Reporter	.35

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\$514.72

### **Election and Registration**

Wilfred Oakes, Check List	\$ 5.00
Ernest Kiser, Check List	23.00
Coos County Democrat, Town Reports	90.30
I. D. Ellingwood, Posting Warrant	8.00
Maud Sanderson, Ballot Clerk	6.00
Urania House, Ballot Clerk	6.00
J. W. Emery, Moderator	30.00

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\$168.30

### **Town Hall Expenses**

Public Service Co., Lights Town Hall	\$ 60.36
Charles Tillotson, Bill of Nov. 1940	15.85
Urania House, Janitor work	4.00
Richard Graham, Cleaning Vaults, Brooks House and Town Hall	7.00
Morris & Co., Material for Silver House	31.50
Anselme DeBlois, Wood Town Hall	22.00
Raymond Stuart, Sawing Wood	5.00
Bernard Rogers, Splitting and handling wood	2.00

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\$147.71

### **Police Department**

W. R. Schillhammer, Dr. Med. Treatment	\$ 2.50
Lynwood Gadwah, Travel and expenses	5.00
Ben House, Salaries	25.00
George Phelan, Constable East End 1941	10.00

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\$42.50



**Fire Department**

J. E. Montgomery, Posting Fire Notices, Fire Pilot Mt.	\$ 9.10
Vernon Bickford, Posting fire notices	3.60
Albert Emery, posting fire notices	3.60
J. W. Emery, posting fire notices	3.60
Fenner Thompson, Fire at Lavignes	6.00
Raymond Stuart, Fire at Lavignes	3.00
Ben House, Fire Pilot Mt.	5.50
Dean Miles, Fire at Lavignes	3.00
Zeora Miles, Fire at Lavignes	3.00
Emma Miles, Fire at Lavignes	3.00
Dan Wright, Fire at Lavignes	1.00
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	\$44.40

**Bounties**

E. A. Scott, 2 Hedgehogs	\$ .40
Norman Hickey, 1 Herdgehog	.20
John Mayhue, 7 Hedgehogs	1.40
Robert Paquette, 2 Hedgehogs	.40
Marcia Gadwah, 1 Hedgehog	.20
Claude Martin, 2 Hedgehogs	.40
Dean Miles, 7 Hedgehogs	1.40
Myron Cole, 10 Hedgehogs	2.00
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	\$6.40

**Vital Statistics**

Stella A. Lunn, Recording Vital Statistics	\$25.50
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**Libraries**

Kate Osgood, Appropriation	\$200.00
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**Town Relief Cases**

Laura Silver Case:	
Geneva Leighton, 3 weeks work	\$21.00
Louis Roberge	16.94
Styles Drug Store, Medicine	3.75
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	41.69

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Leon Kay Case:	
E. J. Peabody, Groceries	\$95.35
Annie Laughton Case:	
Morrison Hospital, three weeks care	\$61.00
L. C. Aldrich, M. D., attention	30.00
Lancaster Hospital, operation	72.43
	<hr/> \$163.43
<b>Old Age Assistance</b>	
State of N. H., 1942	\$614.32
<b>Cemeteries</b>	
Frank Tisdale, mowing Stark Cemetery	\$30.25
Robert Emerson, mowing Emerson Cemetery	10.00
Maude Sanderson, Cemetery work	5.00
Lynwood Gadwah, Cemetery work	13.00
	<hr/> \$58.25
<b>Legal Expense</b>	
William Lehnert	\$129.69
<b>Health Department</b>	
W. N. Emery, Health Officer	\$12.00
<b>Unclassified</b>	
Lancaster National Bank, Interest	\$ 148.33
State of N. H., Audit of Town Books	83.88
Coos County, County Tax	2,425.94
Lancaster National Bank, Temporary Loans	3,000.00
School District	5,150.40
State of N. H., T. R. A.	269.29
White Mt. Region Association	30.00
Taxes Bought by Town	1,245.77
Abatements and Discounts	421.10
Harold Jenkins, Damage by Dogs	37.50
Home Defense	30.65
	<hr/> \$12,984.55

## ROAD AGENTS' REPORT

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### 1942 and 1943 East End

#### Summer Account 1942

Ashley Leighton, Labor and Truck	\$316.65
Andrew Leighton, Labor and Truck	85.30
Owen Leighton, Labor	58.00
Wilbur Laurence, Labor	15.75
Herman Maguire, Labor	30.50
Vernon Bickford, Labor	54.50
Irvin Cole, Labor	51.50
Myron Cole, Labor and Truck	14.40
Maurice Forbush, Labor	14.50
Thomas Forbush, Labor	6.50
Fred Hand, Labor	36.25
Fred Hand Jr., Labor	4.00
Lindsey Peabody, Labor	37.00
Warren Sessions, Labor	12.00
Elsie Peabody, Gravel	45.90
Andrew Leighton, Gravel	5.45
Mary Howland, Gravel	2.70
Merle Cole, Labor	9.10

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\$800.00

#### Winter Account

From Dec. 1942 to Feb. 1, 1943

Ashley Leighton, Labor and Truck	\$318.50
Andrew Leighton, Labor and Truck	26.40
Owen Leighton, Labor	11.00
Wilbur Laurence, Labor	51.25
Albert Forbush, Labor	12.50
Lindsey Peabody, Labor	2.50
Irvin Cole, Labor	16.00

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Herman Maguire, Labor	22.75
Jesse Howland, Labor	31.75
Thomas Forbush, Labor	10.00
Linwood Gadwah, Labor	12.50
Fred Hand, Labor	15.00
Fred Hand Jr., Labor	12.50
Ernest Hodgkins, Jr., Labor	10.50
A. Guirre (Berlin) Copper Pipe	1.50
E. M. Cross, Labor, Connection for Pipe	2.20
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	\$536.85

From Feb. 1, 1942 to Feb. 1, 1943

Winter Snow Removal, Feb. 1, 1942 to April 1, 1942

Ashley Leighton, Labor and Truck	\$307.41
Ashley Leighton, 2 gal. oil for Hydraulic Hoist	2.00
Owen Leighton, Labor	28.64
Lindsey Peabody, Labor	31.13
Albert Forbush, Labor	14.88
Irvin Cole, Labor	24.13
Reginald Falkenham, Labor	6.88
Vernon Bickford, Labor	8.13
Herman Maguire, Labor	11.75
Wilbur Laurence, Labor	24.50
Felix Thibeault, Copper Tubing for Hydraulic Hoist	3.25
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	\$462.70

Taking Down Snow Fence:

Ashley Leighton	\$ 3.60
Herman Maguire	5.50
Fred Hand	5.50
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	\$14.60

Building Snow Fence and Putting Out

Winter's Sand:

Ashley Leighton, Truck and Labor	\$ 46.40
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Ashley Leighton, Painting Snow Plow	1.50
Owen Leighton, Labor	8.00
Vernon Bickford, Labor	2.75
Fred Hand, Labor	11.75
Fred Hand Jr., Labor	13.75
Herman Maguire, Labor	4.00
Mary Howland, gravel	6.50
E. J. Peabody, 5 Rolls Building Paper	8.00

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\$102.65

## Town Tractor Account 1942:

Ashley Leighton, Labor	\$10.00
Ashley Leighton, 1 Trip Berlin, for Repairs on Tractor	2.50
Ashley Leighton, Gas and oil for Tractor	8.65
Leon Meecham, labor	13.00

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\$34.15

## Town Tractor Account 1943:

Ashley Leighton, Labor	\$16.00
Ashley Leighton, Gas and Oil	12.19
Jesse Howland, Labor	16.00

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\$44.19

**Maintenance East End**

## Percy Bridge:

Ashley Leighton, Labor	\$ 9.25
Ashley Leighton, Truck	10.00
Ashley Leighton Trip to Berlin	4.00
Andrew Leighton, Cedar Post	1.05
Owen Leighton, Labor	6.50
Fred Hand, Labor	6.00
Warren Sessions, Labor	6.00
Irvin Cole, Labor	3.50
Herman Maguire, Labor	4.00
Lisbon Co. Inc., Material Percy Bridge	214.77

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R. P. Stuart, Tel. Material	2.30
Morris & Co., Plank Percy Bridge	49.90

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\$317.27

Coty Bridge:

Ashley Leighton, Labor and Truck	\$ 18.30
Warren Sessions, Labor	14.50
Warren Sutter, Labor	14.50
Irving Cole, Labor	14.50
Morris & Co., Material	15.20
Morris & Co., Tar	6.00
Blais & Aubin, Tar	2.50
George Plante, Bolts and Labor	2.00
Lisbon Mfg. Co., Plank	206.78
R. P. Stuart, Tel.	.65
Ralph Emerson, Spikes	5.50
State of N. H., Tar	10.99

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\$311.42

General Maintenance:

Leon Meacham, Repairs on Tractor	\$ 8.85
Geo. M. Stevens & Son Co., Ins. on Tractor	5.00
Berlin Welding Co., welding plow	33.70
Colonial Garage, work on plow	3.85
Dyar Sales & Mach. Co., repairs for plow	27.00
Maine Steel Co., plow parts	5.90
Thompson Mfg. Co., Repairs on Plow	3.13
Ralph Emerson, Supplies	9.15
Grange Mutual Fire Ins. Co., Fire insurance for School Houses	74.00
Ervin Cole, Labor Silver House	15.00
Als. Filling Station, Gas for tractor	6.13
Canadian Nat'l R. R., Freight	14.75
Bernard Rogers, Making Bridge Signs	3.00
Berlin Reporter, Bridge Ordinance	6.50
Dyer Sales & Machine Co., Snow Fence	120.00

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Victor Paquette, Gas and Oil for Tractor	27.70
State of N. H., Chloride	17.05

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\$380.71

Total Maintenance and Snow Removal \$5261.50

RAYMOND P. STUART,

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DEAN F. MILES,

Selectmen of Stark, N. H.

## Snow Removal West End

E. A. SCOTT

Feb. 1st, 1942 to March 10, 1942

E. A. Scott	\$357.76
Golden Dingman	105.00
Wilfred Oakes	10.25
Leon Meacham	4.00
Guy Stone, Shoveling Snow	1.50
John Nolan, Shoveling Snow	1.50
Charles Potter, Shoveling Snow	1.50
Aaron Potter, Shoveling Snow	1.50
William Emery, Shoveling Snow	1.50
Clarence Jenkins, Shoveling Snow	1.50

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\$486.01

## ERNEST KISER

Spring of 1942, Snow Removal

Ernest Kiser	\$29.90
Ellsworth Scott	40.00
Ben House	7.70
Charles Potter	4.20
Aaron Potter	1.00
Leonard O'Neil, Thawing Culverts	2.00
Reginald Vial, Thawing Culverts	1.60

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Thompson Mfg. Co., Repairs on Snow Plow	3.13
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\$89.53

Summer Work of 1942, West End

Ernest Kiser	\$377.90
Ben House	20.00
Ellsworth Scott	60.50
Charles Potter	16.00
Golden Dingman	131.00
Clarence Jenkins	50.00
Earl Frizzell	13.25
Harold Jenkins	11.25
Wilfred Oakes	4.00
Riley Lunn	19.20
Warren Sessions	30.50
Richard Graham	8.00
John Rogers	22.50
Clarence Dingman	30.50
Amos Emery	9.60

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\$804.20

Winter Work 1942-43, West End

Ernest Kiser	\$374.05
Golden Dingman	16.00
Charles Potter	19.00
Clarence Dingman	8.00
Amos Emery	16.80
Ellsworth Scott	32.00
Harold Jenkins	67.00
John Parks	14.50
Loren Bryant	37.00
Dean Miles	32.50
Raymond Stuart	17.50

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\$634.35



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Maintenance, Bridges and Culverts, West End	
Ernest Kiser	\$ 70.10
Charles Potter	26.00
Golden Dingman	26.00
Clarence Dingman	26.00
Ellsworth Scott	2.50
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	\$150.60
Tools and Supplies:	
Ralph Emerson, Shovels	\$ 7.00
Ralph Emerson, Sythes	4.00
Charles Tillotson, Paper	2.70
Thompson Mfg. Co., Labor and Bolts	1.88
Roberts Motor Sales, Welding Plow	15.77
Albert Mortinian, Plow Parts	4.53
Ira Cole, Gravel	4.05
Florida Lavigne, Gravel	5.10
Henry Gibson, Gravel	2.00
Albert Emery, Gravel	2.70
Thompson Mfg. Co., Material Lunn Bridge	14.01
Forest Products Assn., Material Nash Stream	
Bridge	23.13
Charles Tillotson, Spikes for Culverts	1.40
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	\$88.27

## TREASURER'S REPORT

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Cash on hand Jan. 31, 1942	\$ 2,943.06
Total Receipts to Treasurer	18,892.55

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	\$21,835.61
Total Payments	21,368.32

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Cash on Hand	\$ 467.29
Bank Balance Jan. 31, 1943	\$ 667.91
Deposits not credited	3,042.16

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	\$3,710.07
Outstanding checks	3,242.78

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Cash on Hand Jan. 31, 1943	\$ 467.29
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Respectfully submitted,

STELLA A. LUNN,

Treasurer.

I have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correct.

SUSIE B. STONE,

Auditor.

## LIBRARY REPORT

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Year Ending January 31, 1943

Cash on hand Jan. 31, 1942	\$ 25.01
Received from Town	200.00
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	\$225.01

### Payments

New England News, Books	\$146.14
State Library, Books	.59
E. M. Osgood, Books	4.00
Stewart, Books	2.50
Magazines	8.35
Ray Stewart, carrying books	2.50
Murial Stewart, Salary	52.00
Postage, Etc.	1.24
Cash on hand Jan. 31, 1943	7.69
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	\$225.01

I, Kate L. Osgood, do hereby certify that the foregoing account is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

KATE L. OSGOOD,  
Treas. of Trustees.

Examined and found correct.

SUSIE B. STONE,  
Auditor.

# **SCHOOL REPORT**

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## **SCHOOL WARRANT**

### **STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

**To the Inhabitants of the School District of Stark  
qualified to vote in district affairs:**

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said district on Tuesday, March 9, 1943, at eleven-thirty o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the following articles:

1. To choose a Moderator for the ensuing year.
2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a member of the School Board for ensuing three years.
4. To elect a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
5. To hear reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or other officers heretofore chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.
6. To choose an Auditor for the ensuing year.
7. To see if the district will vote to make any alterations in the amount of money required to be assessed for the ensuing year for the support of public schools and the payment of the statutory obligations of the District, as determined by the School Board in its annual report.
8. To transact any other business that may lawfully come before said meeting.

Given under our hands at said Stark this fifth day of February, 1943.

ROXA E. KISER,  
META P. MONTGOMERY,  
ZORA M. MILES.

School Board.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

ROXA E. KISER,  
META P. MONTGOMERY,  
ZORA M. MILES,

School Board.

## REPORT OF SCHOOL BOARD

### Organization

	Term Expires
Mrs. Roxa E. Kiser, Chairman	1944
Mrs. Meta P. Montgomery, Secretary	1943
Mrs. Zora Miles	1945
Miss Stella A. Lunn, Treasurer	
Miss Stella A. Lunn, Clerk	
Mrs. Susie M. Stone, Auditor	
Robert J. Emerson, Truant Officer	
Alonzo J. Knowlton, Supt. of Schools	

Board meetings are called by the Chairman.

## REPORT OF THE TREASURER

For the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1942

### Summary

Cash on hand June 30, 1941	\$ 345.53
Received from Selectmen, appropriations	\$4000.00
Received from dog tax	159.40
Received from State Treasurer	3131.41
Received from all other sources	635.89
	<hr/> \$7926.70
Total amount available for fiscal year	\$8272.23
Less School Board orders paid	6847.10
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Balance on hand as of June 30, 1942	\$1425.13

STELLA A. LUNN,  
District Treasurer.

June 30, 1942.

**Detailed Statement of Receipts**

Date	From Whom	Source	Amount
1941			
July 1	Selectmen	Dog licenses 1939-'40	\$109.00
July 18	State of N. H.	Equalization	49.25
Aug. 26	Meta Montgomery		
		Refund, Sears R. Co.	33.89
Aug. 26	Meta Montgomery		
		Refund, Sears R. Co.	2.00
Sept. 24	Selectmen	Taxation	800.00
Nov. 6	Selectmen	Taxation	800.00
Dec. 2	Selectmen	Taxation	500.00
Dec. 19	State of N. H.	Equalization fund	3082.16
Feb. 19	Selectmen	Taxation	600.00
June 11	Selectmen	Taxation	1900.00
June 11	Selectmen	Dog tax 1941	50.40
Total receipts during year			\$7926.70

**FINANCIAL REPORT**

For the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1942

**Receipts****State Aid:**

Equalization fund	\$3131.41
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**Income from Local Taxation:**

For support of elementary schools	\$2830.76
For high school tuition	800.00
For salaries of district officers	170.00
For payment of per capita tax	182.00
For other obligations	17.24
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	\$4000.00

**From Sources Other than Taxation:**

Dog licenses--1939, 1940, 1941	\$159.40
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Other receipts	635.89
	<hr/> \$ 795.29
Total receipts from all sources	\$7926.70
Cash on hand July 1, 1941	345.53
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<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$8272.23</b>

**Payments****Administration:**

Salaries of district officers	\$ 150.00
Supt.'s excess salary	164.96
Truant officer and school census	20.00
Expense of administration	9.84

**Instruction:**

Teachers' salaries	\$3400.70
Text books	83.89
Scholars' supplies	86.35
Flags and appurtenances	8.09
Other expenses of instruction	10.94

**Operation and Maintenance of School Plant:**

Janitor service	\$144.00
Fuel	301.23
Janitors' supplies	12.00
Minor repairs and expenses	163.41

**Auxiliary Agencies:**

Medical inspection	\$ 75.00
Transportation	799.00
High school tuition	1037.49
Elementary school tuition	20.00

**Fixed Charges:**

Per capita tax (\$2.00)	\$182.00
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**Outlay for Construction and Equipment:**

Alteration of old buildings	\$143.40
New Equipment	34.80

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Total payments for all purposes	\$6847.10
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Total cash on hand end of year (June 30, 1942)	1425.13
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<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$8272.23</b>
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### BALANCE SHEET

#### Assets, June 30, 1942:

Cash on hand	\$1425.13
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#### Liabilities, June 30, 1942

Amounts reserved for special purposes:

School repairs	\$635.89
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High school tuition	237.49
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Expenses of administration	7.40
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Total liabilities	\$ 880.78
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Excess of assets over liabilities	544.35
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<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$1425.13</b>
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### AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that I have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the treasurer of the school district of Stark, also the financial record of the school board of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1942, and find them correct in all respects.

SUSIE B. STONE,

Auditor.

June 30, 1942.

### BUDGET FOR 1943-1944

School Board's estimate of the amount required to support public schools and to meet other statutory obligations of the district for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1943.

#### Deailed Statement of Proposed Expenditures

#### Support of Schools:

Teachers' salaries	\$3700.00
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Text books	85.00	
Scholars' supplies	85.00	
Flags and appurtenances	10.00	
Other expenses of instruction	20.00	
Janitor service	144.00	
Fuel	300.00	
Janitors' supplies	12.00	
Minor repairs and expenses	200.00	
Health supervision	75.00	
Transportation	675.00	
Elementary school tuition	20.00	
Total		\$5326.00
<b>Other Statutory Requirements:</b>		
Salaries of district officers	\$ 150.00	
Truant officer and school census	20.00	
Payment of high school tuition	1150.00	
Superintendent's excess salary	164.96	
Per capita tax	180.00	
Other obligations	35.04	
Total		\$1700.00
<b>Grand Total</b>		<b>\$7026.00</b>
<b>Estimated Income of District</b>		
Balance June 30, 1943 (Estimate)	\$ 625.34	
State Aid Dec. 1943 (Estimate)	2350.66	
Dog tax (Estimate)	50.00	
Total		\$3026.00
Deduct total estimated income (Not raised by taxation)		
Assessment required to balance school board's budget		\$4000.00

Respectfully submitted,  
ROXA E. KISER,  
META P. MONTGOMERY,  
ZORA MILES,  
School Board.

### **REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS**

#### **To the Members of the Stark School Board:**

I hereby submit for your consideration my ninth annual report of the Stark schools.

At the close of the school year 1941-1942, we lost three of our teachers, viz: Virginia Littlefield who is teaching in the Bristol schools, Helene Dowse who planned to be married, and Ruth C. Ingals who took a school nearer her home. The vacancies were filled as follows: Mrs. Lena J. Rich for the Crystal school, June Reynolds for the Village Primary and Mrs. Everleen H. Newell for the Percy school. Miss Reynolds became dissatisfied with the location after a short time and resigned her position. Mrs. Harriette M. Potter was secured to take her place.

The following nine pupils completed the work of the eighth grade last June, viz.: Elwin Henry Hopps, Edward Wilfred Oakes, Leonard Ralph Johnson, Leo Fred Frizzell, Eula Mae Lavigne, Blanche Mae Hand, Winnifred Belle Hand, Gloria Lucy Hopps and John Robert Vachon. I think all but three entered some high school in the fall.

The following twenty pupils had a perfect record for the year 1941-1942, that is, they were not absent or tardy during the year: Lorraine Bickford, Donald Vachon, John Vachon, Marcia Gadwah, Blanche Hand, Winnifred Hand, Dorothy Hand, James Hand, Darriel Hodgkins, Winston Gadwah, Norman Hickey, Harvey Hickey, Leon Hickey, Rich-

ard Hickey, Doris Martin, Claude Martin, Eula Lavigne, Robert Lavigne, Beverly Miles and Glen Miles, Jr.

The school census taken last September found 81 pupils in town between the ages of five and sixteen. Of this number, 70 were reported in school. There were five children between five and eight reported not in school and six between fourteen and sixteen. One handicapped child was reported who is over sixteen years of age. We have fifteen pupils registered in high school this year. Thirteen in Groveton and two in Lancaster. Two pupils are attending elementary schools outside of the district.

From the report of the medical examination made by Miss Florence Wheeler, R. N., we get the following data: Defective Vision 6, Anemia 1, Defective Teeth 30, Diseased Tonsils 15, Defective Breathing 3, and Enlarged Glands 4. Three children were found unvaccinated. I have not a record yet of the corrective work that was done during the summer.

The main repairs, during the summer, were made on the village school building by putting the spare room into habitable condition and moving the pupils of the Blake school to the village. This combination made it possible to regrade the schools so now we have grades one to four in one room and five to eight in the other. This makes possible for more efficient teaching and improved conditions for the pupils, with no extra cost beyond the repairs.

The transportation routes are the same as last year, viz: R. J. Emerson from the Emerson and Blake districts to the village, and George K. Nelson transports one pupil to Groveton elementary school.

From last year's registers, we gleaned the following data: Total number of different pupils registered

in town, 73; per cent of attendance was 95.51—this is .43 less than the previous year; tardy marks, 77—an increase of 58 over the last record and is due largely from the children of two families; school board members made two visits to schools; the superintendent was credited with 125 visits; citizens with 38 visits; 8 school board meetings were held; and 17 pupils were transported at the expense of the district.

The superintendent rendered assistance to the teachers largely at time of his visits by personal conferences.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank all citizens for their hearty cooperation in making a successful school year possible.

Respectfully submitted,

ALONZO J. KNOWLTON,

Superintendent.

## FOREST FIRE WARDEN'S REPORT

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As the tempo of America's war effort mounts, demands upon its citizens for service become more numerous and exacting. To some comes the call to arms; others to public service and still others to defense industries and organizations. No one can possibly escape if he would. All must bear a proportionate share of the burden and the sacrifice. Strong first line fronts on land, sea and in the air are needed and can be developed and maintained only if there is unity of purpose and common determination behind the home front.

As men are drawn into service the burden of carrying on rests more heavily upon those forced to remain at home. Here, team work becomes increasingly important because of constantly diminishing manpower. A general breakdown in essential local activities and law observance can only be prevented by whole hearted cooperation between citizens and leaders.

There is no field of endeavor where cooperation and compliance with law and regulation are more needed than that of forest fire control. The most effective and economical effort in this field of activity is that of prevention. The old adage "an ounce of prevention" being "worth a pound of cure" was never more aptly applied than to forest fire control.

The forest fire warden is, by law, the designated local leader in forest fire matters. He exercises his prerogatives and discharges his duties as such under the direction of the State Forester. There was never a time when the warden needed each citizen's good

will and cooperation more than he does now. With manpower waning, fire prevention, through efficient preparation, care with fire and compliance with necessary regulations becomes a vital duty of citizenship.

For years efforts have been made to improve the usual bad Spring and Fall fire record. It was not until this year, however, that this problem was, to a great extent solved when permit burning was more rigidly restricted. Forest fire wardens were instructed not to issue permits except when it was raining and during the wet period immediately following rains. This plan worked out so well it has been decided to make it the established policy governing legal burning.

Everyone is well acquainted with the several civilian defense groups. Many of our fellow townsmen are serving in one or other of them. It is only recently, however, that the Office of Civilian Defense, recognizing the threat forest fires are to our timber facilities and resources and the possible disruption of war activities in critical areas, established the "Forest Fire Fighters Service." Its purpose is to provide fire fighters, equipped and trained, to strengthen the hand of the local forest fire warden; to acquaint the people in the area with their responsibility in fire prevention and suppression and to provide an opportunity for people in and near forested areas to participate in the war effort. The State Forester is the State Coordinator; the District Fire Chiefs are District Coordinators and the Warden is the Local Coordinator. The Forest Fire Fighters Service personnel will be registered under the direction of the Office of Civilian Defense; it will be trained by the local warden and his assistants, aided by the District Chief. Individual citizens are urged to join this service group by applying to their local forest fire

warden. By becoming a part of this organization locally, individuals can contribute their share toward the protection of our forest resources which are so vital to the war job.

During this critical period it is more than ever the part of good and prudent citizenship to remember:

1. That permission to burn in or near woodland or where fire may be communicated to woodland must be secured from the forest fire warden when the ground is not covered with snow.

2. To be careful when smoking in or near the woods and not to throw lighted cigars, cigarettes or matches from moving vehicles.

3. To notify your local warden promptly of any fires you see.

4. That fire prevention is the best and cheapest fire insurance.

5. To be fire-minded; be careful; be cooperative and thus help your warden prevent forest fires. This is patriotism at work.

J. E. MONTGOMERY,

Forest Fire Warden.



## VITAL STATISTICS--1942

In compliance with an act of the Legislature passed June, 1877, requiring "Clerks of Towns and Cities to furnish a transcript of the marriages, births and deaths to the municipal officers for publication in the annual report" I hereby submit the following:

STELLA A. LUNN, Town Clerk

### Marriages Registered in the Town of Stark for the Year Ending December 31, 1942

Date and Place of Marriage	Name and Surname Groom and Bride	Residence at Time of Marriage	Age and Occupation of Groom and Bride	Place of Birth of Each	Name of Father	Name, Residence and Station of Person by whom Married
Feb 7 Groveton	Sherman D. Corkum	Stark	37 Laborer	Stark	Heaikah S. Corkum	Rev. Robt. C. Sharp
Mar 9 Colebrook	Claire E. Hayes	Dummer	22 Nurse	Dummer	Horace Hayes	Groveton
June 22 Groveton	Peter Edw. Perron	Colebrook	44 Salesman	Lemington, Vt.	John Perron	Chas. O. Stevens J.P.
Sept 26 Groveton	Dora Louise Lunn	Stark	20 Stenographer	Northumberland	Riley S. Lunn	
	Ernest E. Perron	Stark	37 Paper Maker	Berlin	Joe Cote	Rev. Rudolph Heon
	Cecile M. A. Cote	Stark	29 Paper Mill	Stark	Ernest Perron	Groveton
	Theodore A. Rogers	Stark	40 Section Foreman	Stark	John H. Rogers	Rev. Robt. C. Sharp
	Blanche E. Henry	Stark	31 Waitress	Norton, Vt.	Wm. Z. Henry	Groveton



Births Registered in the Town of Stark for the Year Ending December 31, 1942

Date of Birth and Name of Child if Any	Sex L or S No. of Child	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Occupation of Father	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother
Dec 29 '41 Robert Alvah	M L 1	Peter E. Blay	Rita P. Aubin	Section man	Lancaster	Shelburne
Dec 30 '41 Veronica Mae	F L 1	John W. Parks	Leatha P. Gibson	Mill Laborer	Lancaster	Groveton
Jan 30 '42 Evelyn Alice	F L 1	Ray U. Frizzell	Midred F. Gibson	Farmer	Colebrook	Stark
May 10 '42 Infant Stearns	M L 2	Philip Stearns	Doris E. Rogers	Sawmill	Eden, Vt.	Stark
Aug 7 '42 Robert Francis	M L 1	Henry R. Gibson	Norma T. Hopps	Paper mill	St. Albans, Vt.	Groveton
Sept 29 '42 Harold Merrill	M L 1	Roy L. Ball	Geneva E. Hoag	Groveton Paper Co.	Lancaster	Belfast, Me.
Nov 7 '42 Bruce Allen	M L 7	Norman A. Potter	Alice M. Allen	Jobber	Milan	Maidstone, Vt.
Dec 11 '42 Carl Albert	M L 1		Opal M. Gibson			Groveton

Deaths Registered in the Town of Stark for the Year Ending December 31, 1942

Date and Place of Death	Name and Surname of Deceased	Age in Years, Months and Days and Place of Birth	Male or Female Single, Married or Widowed and Occupation	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
Jan 3 Stark	Martin E. Pilbro	68 11 6 Cotebrook	M W Farmer	Albi Pilbro	Florence Chase
Feb 27 Portland, Me.	Clara C. Leveridge	89 10 28 Cotebrook	F W Farmer	Wm. B. Snow	Mary Grapes
Feb 16 Lancaster	Alva T. Wentworth	81 6 3 Dummer	M M Farmer	Joseph Wentworth	Jane Newell
Feb 14 Stark	Lettie May Leighton	72 7 12 Stark	F - Housewife	Andrew Jackson	Susan E. Robbins
Feb 23 Whitefield	Harry Emery	69 3 3 Guildhall, Vt.	M M Farmer	Dana Emery	Ruby Hennrick
May 5 Berlin	Manetta Montgomery	76 2 2 Stark	F W Housewife	Sylvester Cole	Fannie Blake
May 11 Stark	Infant Stearns	1 Stark	M W Housewife	Philip E. Stearns	Doris E. Rogers
May 5 Spring'd, Me.	Vera M. Granville	35 17 Percy	F W Housewife	Angus Frazer	Mary Sawyer
July 26 Port. Jarvis	Mary L. Curtis	69 9 9 Stark	F W	Joshua Lunn	Jane Lunn
Nov 11 Stark	Ernest Perron	63 2 7 St. Jean, P. Q.	M M Millman	Joseph E. Perron	Celina Trambley



